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DETERMINATION OF THE DURATION OF THE FUTURE MEETINGS OF THE COMMITTEE ON THE RIGHTS OF THE CHILD

Albania, Angola, Argentina, Australia, Bangladesh, Belarus, Belgium, China, Czechoslovakia, Denmark, El Salvador, Estonia, Finland, France, Germany, Grenada, Guinea, Guinea-Bissau, Guyana, Honduras, Hungary, Iceland, Ireland, Italy, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Mali, Mexico, Namibia, Nigeria, Norway, Philippines, Poland, Portugal, Republic of Korea, Senegal, Sweden, Thailand, Togo, Ukraine, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, Uruguay, Viet Nam, Zambia and Zimbabwe: draft resolution

Determination of the duration of the future meetings of the Committee on the Rights of the Child

The States parties to the Convention on the Rights of the Child,

Recalling General Assembly resolution 46/112 of 17 December 1991,

Taking note of the invitation of the General Assembly to convene a brief meeting of the States parties to the Convention on the Rights of the Child to determine the duration of the future meetings of the Committee on the Rights of the Child,

Recalling also Commission on Human Rights resolution 1992/75 and the report of the Committee on the Rights of the Child on its first session, 1/

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Noting that the Commission on Human Rights welcomed the decision of the General Assembly to take appropriate action at its forty-seventh session on the recommendations of the Committee,

Conscious of the rapid entry into force of the Convention and the unprecedented number of ratifications, which demonstrate a widespread commitment to the promotion and protection of the rights of the child, and that the initial report of one hundred and twenty States parties will need to be considered by the Committee in a timely and thorough manner between 1992 and 1996, at which time the second periodic reports will start to be due,

Encouraged by the support for the work of the Committee and the understanding for the increasing workload shown in General Assembly resolution 46/112 and in Commission on Human Rights resolution 1992/75,

Convinced of the need to adopt urgent measures to enable the Committee to deal in a thorough and timely manner with reports submitted by States parties,

1. Strongly support the recommendation contained in the report of the Committee on the Rights of the Child regarding the organization of the future work of the Committee on the basis of two regular sessions annually as from 1993, each of two or three weeks' duration, and the establishment of a pre-sessional working group that would meet approximately two months in advance of each session for a preliminary review of reports from States parties;

2. Recommend that the General Assembly take action for the implementation of the proposed revision of the duration of the sessions of the Committee;

3. Request the General Assembly, at its forty-seventh session, to authorize the Secretary-General to ensure the provision of appropriate staff and facilities, within the overall existing budget framework, for the effective performance of the functions of the Committee on the Rights of the Child.